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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2013."

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions 4 of sections 5-200, 5-213, 31-277, 51-279, 51-287a and 51-295b of the 5 general statutes, on or before August 1, 2011, the Commissioner of 6 Administrative Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 7 Management shall implement changes to longevity payments for each 8 nonrepresented classified and unclassified officer and employee of the 9 executive branch, the constituent units of higher education and the 10 Board of Regents for Higher Education, in order that (1) longevity 11 payments shall not increase beyond the amount such officer or 12 employee was entitled to receive on the effective date of this section, 13 and (2) officers and employees not receiving longevity payments as of 14 the effective date of this section shall not be entitled to such payments.

15 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 5-200, 45a-75, 46b-16 233, 51-12 and 51-47 of the general statutes, on or before August 1, 17 2011, the Chief Court Administrator or the judges of the Supreme 18 Court shall implement changes to longevity payments for each 19 nonrepresented officer and employee of the Judicial Department in 20 order that (1) longevity payments shall not increase beyond the 21 amount such officer or employee was entitled to receive on the 22 effective date of this section, and (2) officers and employees not 23 receiving payments as of the effective date of this section shall not be 24 entitled to longevity payments.

- (c) Notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes, on or before August 1, 2011, the Joint Committee on Legislative Management shall implement changes to longevity payments for each employee of the legislative branch in order that (1) longevity payments shall not increase beyond the amount such employee was entitled to receive on the effective date of this section, and (2) employees not receiving payments as of the effective date of this section shall not be entitled to longevity payments.
- Sec. 502. Subsection (a) of section 5-271 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 36 (a) (1) Employees shall have, and shall be protected in the exercise 37 of the right of self-organization, to form, join or assist any employee 38 organization, to bargain collectively through representatives of their 39 own choosing on questions of wages, hours and other conditions of 40 employment, except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this 41 subsection and subsection (d) of section 5-272, and to engage in other 42 concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other 43 mutual aid or protection, free from actual interference, restraint or 44 coercion.
- 45 (2) For any employee subject to a collective bargaining agreement 46 expiring on or after June 30, 2011, employee longevity payments shall

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47 not increase after the expiration date of such agreement and shall be

- 48 based upon the years of service such employee had on such expiration
- 49 date. Any employee not receiving payments as of such expiration date
- 50 <u>shall not be entitled to contractual or statutory longevity payments.</u>
- 51 Except as provided in this subdivision, longevity payments shall be
- 52 considered an illegal subject of bargaining and such payments may not
- 53 <u>be considered as a loss of wages in any interest arbitration.</u>
- 54 (3) For any employee subject to a collective bargaining agreement
- expiring on or after June 30, 2011, no employee may accrue sick leave
- 56 in excess of ten days in any calendar year after the expiration date of
- 57 <u>such agreement. Except as provided in this subdivision, the annual</u>
- 58 accrual of sick leave shall not be subject to negotiation or arbitration by
- 59 the parties.
- 60 Sec. 503. Subsection (c) of section 5-272 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 62 passage):
- 63 (c) For the purposes of sections 5-270 to 5-280, inclusive, as amended
- 64 by this act, to bargain collectively is the performance of the mutual
- obligation of the employer or his designated representatives and the
- 66 representative of the employees to meet at reasonable times, including
- 67 meetings appropriately related to the budget-making process, and
- 68 bargain in good faith with respect to wages, hours and other
- 69 conditions of employment, except as provided in subsection (d) of this
- section and subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 5-271, as
- 71 <u>amended by this act</u>, or the negotiation of an agreement, or any
- 72 question arising thereunder, and the execution of a written contract
- incorporating any agreement reached if requested by either party, but
- such obligation shall not compel either party to agree to a proposal or
- 75 require the making of a concession.
- Sec. 504. Subsection (h) of section 5-154 of the general statutes is
- 77 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 78 passage):

(h) ["Salary"] On or before June 30, 2017, "salary" means (1) any payment, including longevity payments and payments for accrued vacation time under section 5-252, for state service made from a payroll submitted to the Comptroller; and (2) the cash value of maintenance furnished by the state; and (3) fees received from the state in whole or in part in lieu of or in addition to item (1) above and established to the satisfaction of the Retirement Commission, to the extent that the employee has made retirement contributions on such fees; and (4) compensation paid by the United States to state employees who are employees of the United States Purchasing and Finance Office; and (5) compensation paid to employees of the Connecticut Institute for Municipal Studies. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5-208a, any state employee who is employed by more than one state agency during any week shall, for compensation earned on and after January 1, 1983, have all such compensation recognized for all purposes of the retirement program; on and after July 1, 2017, "salary" means base wages and shall not include any other wage payment such as overtime, longevity, fees or other payments;

97 Sec. 505. Subsection (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes is 98 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, collective bargaining negotiations concerning changes to the state employees retirement system to be effective on and after July 1, 1988, and collective bargaining negotiations concerning health and welfare benefits to be effective on and after July 1, 1994, shall be conducted between the employer and a coalition committee which represents all state employees who are members of any designated employee organization. On and after July 1, 2017, "salary" for the purpose of calculating retirement benefits in the state employees retirement system and the alternate retirement program shall be as defined in subsection (h) of section 5-154, as amended by this act, and the definition of "salary" shall not be subject to negotiation or arbitration by the parties. (2) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection

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113 shall not be construed to prevent the employer and any designated employee organization from bargaining directly with each other on 114 matters related to the state employees retirement system and health 115 116 and welfare benefits whenever the parties jointly agree that such 117 matters are unique to the particular bargaining unit. (3) The provisions 118 of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not be construed to prevent the employer and representatives of employee organizations from 119 120 dealing with any state-wide issue using the procedure established in 121 said subdivision."